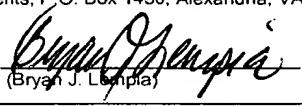


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Docket No.: 27754/X254A
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In re Patent Application of:
Stephen Temple et al.

Application No.: 09/754,486

Confirmation No.: 4903

Filed: January 3, 2001

Art Unit: 1732

For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR
FORMING NOZZLES

Examiner: S. Staicovici

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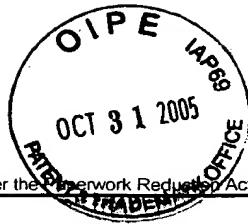
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Fee Description

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